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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: GRANOFF et al.

Serial No.: 09/701,453

Examiner: S. Devi

Confirmation No.: 1041

Art Unit: 1645

Filed: April 16, 2001

For: COMBINED MENINGITIDIS B/C VACCINE

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Applicants submit this request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 for the above-identified application.

[X] Please consider the following submission(s) required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

[X] The amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on May 27, 2004.

[X] Applicants request a 5 month Petition to Extend Time to respond from August 1, 2004 to January 1, 2005. Enclosed is a check to cover the \$2160 fee.

[X] Also enclosed is:

[X] Amendment

[X] Return receipt postcard

[X] Check in the amount of \$2950 for the total fee as calculated below.

[X] The fee for the request for continued examination is calculated as follows:

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| | NO. OF CLAIMS | CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | FEE |
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| Total Claims | 24 | - 24 = | | x \$50.00 | |
| Independent Claims | 2 | - 3 = | | x \$200.00 | |
| Multiple dependent claims not previously presented, add \$360.00 | | | | | |
| Total Amendment Fee | | | | | \$0 |
| Continued Examination Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) of \$790.00 | | | | | \$790 |
| Petition to Extend Time to Respond for Five Months | | | | | \$2160 |
| TOTAL FEE DUE | | | | | \$2950.00 |

☒ A check for the total fee is attached.

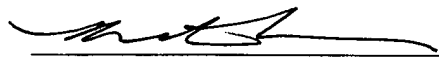
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment accompanies the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.